

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed on August 19, 2009, has been received and its contents carefully considered. Additionally attached to this Amendment is a Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, extending the period for response to December 19, 2009.

Claims 12-14 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 14 is amended and claims 8-11 are canceled. Reconsideration of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks respectfully is requested.

The Examiner states that claims 12-14 are allowed. Applicants note this statement of allowability and base the above amendments on this indication. Specifically, claim 14 is rewritten in independent form to incorporate the subject matter of claim 8, from which it depends. Accordingly, it respectfully is submitted that claims 12-14 remain in condition for allowance.

The Examiner rejects claims 8-11 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The cancellation of claims 8-11 renders the above rejection moot. Accordingly, withdrawal of the pending rejection under §112 respectfully is requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a conference would help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned counsel to arrange for such an interview.


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Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 18-0002, and requested to advise us accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date



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